

GENERAL SCHEME FOR ANNEXATION

Special Committee of City Council Will Consider Propositions.

INVESTIGATE TELEPHONES

Ordinance Offered for Inquiry. City Workhouse Again Proposed.

Appointment of a special committee of four Councilmen and three Aldermen to consider all matters relating to annexation of territory to the city last night on recommendation of the old Committee on Ordinances, Charter and Reform. All pending papers referring to annexation were ordered referred to the new committee, together with applications from Oak Grove and other Southside sections presented by John W. Moore last night. The action looking to appointment of a committee of negotiation to take up the entire question was unanimous, the sentiment seeming to favor a general extension of the city's limits, rather than a piecemeal dealing with each suburban community.

Under suspension of the rules, the special committee was authorized to spend not more than \$500 in its work, it being realized that maps, surveys, population estimates, compilations and estimates of all kinds would be needed in prosecution of so broad a study.

New Charter in Effect.
At the opening of last night's meeting of the Common Council—the first regular meeting since the Administrative Board took office, and the charter changes became operative—Councilman Mills offered a series of ordinances prepared by the City Attorney, which were adopted, the first carrying into effect the new rules of the Council, the second defining the duties of the clerk of Council committees, who will be the clerk of all general and special committees under the new rules, save the Committee on Finance; the third designating the rooms now occupied by the City Attorney, thus providing office space for the Administrative Board, and the fourth abolishing the office of clerk to the Committee on Printing and Claims, the former ordinance having designated the clerk of that committee. All four were adopted without dissent.

Board of Public Interests.
After the announcement of the Council members of the new joint standing committees, printed elsewhere, the Council went into the election of citizen members of the Board of Public Interests, electing Henry Lee Valentine, Harry Tucker and Joseph W. Billey, the latter in place of William Gibson, Jr., who was said to be a resident of a citizen of Richmond.

The Council concurred in the action of the Board of Aldermen in ordering appointment of street collectors for delinquent personal taxes under certain conditions.

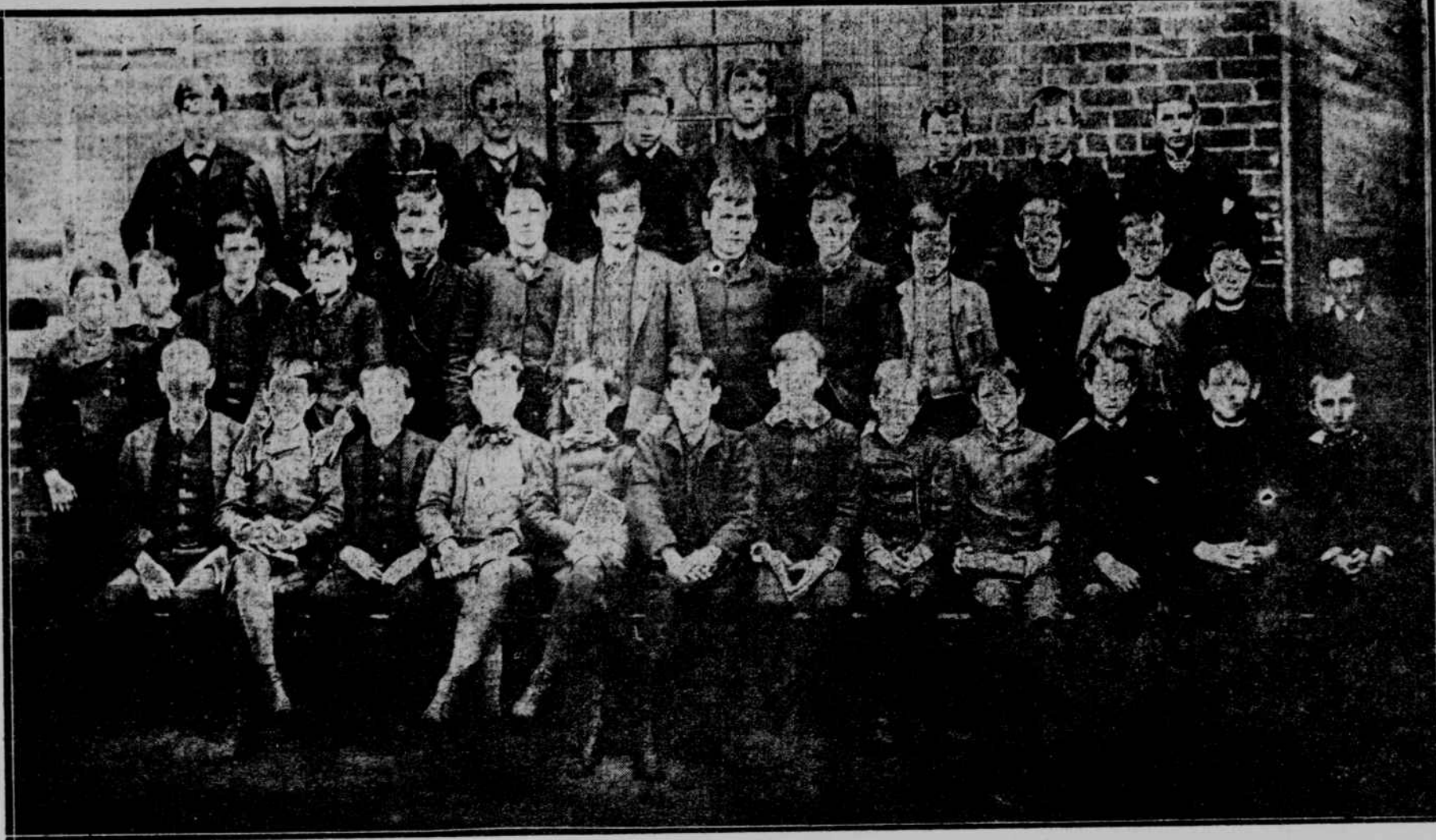
Under suspension of the rules, the location of alleys in the block bounded by Grove, Floyd, Mulberry and the Boulevard, were changed on petition of the Davis Land Company. On report of the Finance Committee, an appropriation of \$4,716.14 was made for grading streets in Cowardin's Addition, and of \$309 for payment of salary of the Dock Master. On report of the old Committee on Relief of the Poor, the Council ordered payment of \$6.25 to Rufus C. Williams, for damage to his automobile, having been struck by a motor ambulance not out on official business. The Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform returned eight or ten papers relating to salary increases, which were referred to the Administrative Board.

Milk Ordinance Amended.

An ordinance amending the milk regulations reported by the Board of Health was adopted, designed to allow the sale of milk from Holstein cows, even though containing less than the required amount of butter fats and solids.

An ordinance to require the City Treasurer to establish substitutions for payment of poll taxes, reported for rejection, was on motion sent to the new

HOW THEY LOOKED TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS AGO



NORWOOD'S SCHOOL, 1885.

Sam Cook, Fred Jurgens, Fred Gunn, Otto Nolting, Twohig Temple, Maurice Hunter, Willie Ebel, Robert Perdue, Clifton Miller, Courtney Sheld, Horace Slater, Julia Rossier, Anthony Robinson, Fred Nolting, Burfoot Taylor, Dick Paynter, Tom Cannon, Edmund Woodbridge, Maeon Clarke, Isaac Goodman, Herbert Phillips, Oscar Spot, Scott Parrish, Albert Alcop, Sidney Yancey, Hunadon Cary, Ben Alcop, Peter Parr, Harden Burnley, Ad Williams, Charley Harvey, Frayson Dashiell, John Griffith, Jim McGhee, Eddie Skinner, Charley Skinner.

Ordinance Committee. The Board of Police Commissioners reported an ordinance regulating moving picture theatres, which went to the Ordinance Committee. From the Administrative Board came ordinances allowing Dolly C. Adams and S. P. Waddill, nonresidents, to connect with city sewers, which were referred to the Committee on Streets, and a resolution in regard to track construction on Mayo's Bridge, which went to the Committee on Finance.

Telephone Investigation.
On roll call, Mr. Vonderhehr offered an ordinance requiring the Committee on Streets to institute an inquiry into the character of telephone service being rendered in Richmond, which was referred to the Street Committee; an ordinance providing civil service regulations for admission of persons to city employment, which went to the Ordinance Committee; and an ordinance providing for the establishment of a city workhouse and for the employment of able-bodied prisoners therein, which went to the Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities. The ordinance proposing the location of the workhouse on city property at the intersection of the Nine-Mile Road and Thirty-first Street. On motion of Mr. Powell, permission was given the Weisberger Company to erect certain electric signs at 312 to 320 East Broad Street.

Wants New Park.
Mr. Mills offered an ordinance increasing the salary of the Mayor, which was referred to the Administrative Board; an ordinance creating a public park in the northwestern section of the city, which went to the Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities; an ordinance creating a retirement fund for pensioning of city employees, which went to the Committee on Ordinances; and an ordinance increasing the pay of captains, sergeants and probation officers on the police force, which went to the Finance Committee.

Captain Mills said he had been advised that as the police were State officers, it would not be necessary to refer such a salary increase to the Administrative Board. Mr. Haddon offered a plan for compromise settlement

of the suit of the Riverview Improvement Company against the city, growing out of the use of Virginia Avenue in Riverview by the city for sewer purposes, which was referred to the Committee on Claims.

Rent Is Remitted.

Mr. Fuller called from the table and secured adoption of a joint resolution remitting the rent due the city by the Virginia State Fair Association, by to November, 1912, for use of the Fair Grounds and buildings, amounting to \$3,547.90, the sum to be used for completion of the new Boulevard Bridge and approaches, and other permanent improvements to the Fair Grounds.

The term of President R. Lee Peters as a member of the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners having expired, Mr. Atkinson moved to go into an election, and Mr. Peters was unanimously re-elected.

Mr. Ratcliffe offered a resolution looking to placing ornamental lights on Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Streets, from Broad to Main, on Main from Fifth to Main Street Station, and on Seventh from Main to Myrd Street Station, which was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings, Properties and Utilities.

TURKEY REFUSES BALKAN DEMANDS

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bility for the consequences of this rupture will fall on them. In this eventuality, we declare all concessions made until to-day null and void."

The Balkan delegates could not conceal their dissatisfaction with the statement, and various ones asked Rechad Pasha if he could not add something. The Turkish delegates expressed great surprise at the dissatisfaction of the allies, saying they were never satisfied. If, Danett, the Bulgarian delegate, said the allies asked only what they had fought for

and what they expected after the successes attained.

Rechad Pasha said his instructions were to communicate only the statement which he had read, but he believed his government might be induced to grant another small rectification of the Thracian frontier, ceding several districts, the population of which is, for the most part, Christian.

The sitting then was suspended to give time to the allies to formulate their answer. After a short discussion they decided that the Turkish statement corresponded with the second alternative contemplated in the decision taken at the meeting held prior to the official sitting. An answer was drafted accordingly and the sitting was reopened.

Striving Is Suspended.

M. Navokavitch then read the following statement:

"The propositions of their excellencies, the Ottoman delegates, do not correspond with the demands formulated by the allies in the former sitting."

The negotiations on the new proposals not being of such a nature as to lead to an understanding, the allies see themselves obliged to suspend the sitting of the conference."

Rechad Pasha protested against the action of the Balkan delegates, and M. Navokavitch answered:

"It takes two to make a bargain. If one side declines to enter a discussion, it is useless to continue the sitting."

The Turkish leaders again protested, and then, followed by the other Turkish delegates, left the hall.

The other delegates remained for a half hour, discussing the situation.

AMUSEMENTS.

Academy—"The Merry Widow," matinee and night.

Bijou—"Satan Sanderson," matinee and night.

Colonial—Vaudeville.

Edwards—Miniature Musical Comedy.

Lubin—Vaudeville.

The Opera That Made Vienna Famous.

That maddest and baddest and gladiest of operettas, "The Merry Widow," returned to us last night at the Academy of Music, and with its lilting melody, contagious comedy, and buoyant charm, cast its joyous spell over one of the very few large audiences of the entire season.

Last night marked the opening of the third engagement in Richmond of Franz Lehar's most brilliant, or most brilliantly successful, output—we have not heard his "Eva"—so that nothing remains to be said of the little opera itself. Everybody knows "A Dutiful Wife," "Maxims," "Villa," and "The Cavalier," while the waits itself has become a national anthem. To praise "The Merry Widow" is suggestive of the press story that was sent out a short time ago bearing the head, "Mr. Southern Defends Shakespeare."

Therefore only the company is to be considered, which brings us to Charles Meakins, who is the bright, particular star of this production. Mr. Meakins, after a summer spent in the energetic field of the legitimate—if memory serve—has grown a bit stouter, and his voice is not as free as it will be a little later, but he is quite as good-looking, quite as manly, and altogether as graceful as he was two years ago. Even though he does talk his songs, he gets them over, and he makes so dashing, gay and debonaire a prince that nobody could blame the widow. And, as it occurred during a comic song, he will be forgiven for carrying his ill-disciplined "kidding" to such an extent last night that he threw one of the septet on the stage and himself landed in the footlights, breaking several of the bulbs. Mabel Wilber makes her first appearance in Richmond as Gena, though she sang the role for several years. Vocally, she is satisfactory for the most part; in the "Villa" she was at her best. But she lacks the verve, the abandon, the temperament that appeared in Rosemary Goss and in Frances Cameron, and she is not graceful.

ful. It is only fair to say, however, that the house, applauded her with much enthusiasm.

Oscar Figman gave a very fine performance of Popoff, the role in which we have seen only R. E. Graham, playing with the sure touch and ease that mark the genuine comedian. The Nish of Arthur Woolley was full of unctuous humor, as was to be expected, and J. McCarthy was his accustomed figure of fearful fun as Nova Kovchik.

Misha Perenzio is missed from the part of Camille de Joldien, as Vernon Dalhart squeezes his upper tones badly, while Anna Bussert's Natshe is unsuccessfully sung by Olga Rolier.

An orchestra of some twelve pieces, under the capable direction of Alfred Moulton—here with "Naughty Marietta"—last season—added immeasurably to the merit of the performance. Mr. Moulton deserves high praise for the effectiveness of the choral singing, particularly in the climaxes, which were unusually well handled.

It is said that the waits from this operetta was the forerunner of all the more or less indecent grins, buns, funny bug and other monstrous dances, but surely its inventor never dreamed of one that we saw last night in the last act. That act was always rather "flash," but, during its progress last night, four girls perpetrated the most vicious bit of turkey-trotting that ever disgraced a scene and debased it from the merely suggestive to the blatantly vulgar.

W. Douglas Gordon.

Hackett Show Highly Successful.

Norman Hackett, in "Satan Sanderson," thoroughly pleased the audience at the Bijou Theatre last night. He was well supported by a company above the average.

In the part of Rev. Henry Sanderson, Mr. Hackett did particularly good work in the position of a victim of mental lapse, with memory gone, and constrained to believe that he is a forger, murderer and several other unpleasant things. In the effective, if improbable, gambling scene, in which a minister and the villain play for the stakes of right living on the steps of the church altar, he was especially good.

High Stires, the villain, represented by Malcolm Blevins, was a character possessed of sufficient force to elicit

the complimentary shudder and dislike of the audience. His conscience, somewhat belated, finally comes in time, and he confesses his guilt and is led away to his doom, with appropriate despair. The fate of Jessica Holme, the villain's wife, played successfully by Miss Genevieve Cliffe, is left rather in the dark, and although she is beloved by Sanderson, there seems no hope of happiness for her. The lack of love-making detracts from the plot in the popular view.

But the costumes were good, the acting above the usual, and the company puts up a splendid show.

CHARTERS ISSUED

Atalla Corporation of Virginia, Richmond. Capital: Maximum, \$100,000; minimum, \$25,000. James E. Cuthbert, president; Peterburg, Va.; George E. Murrell, vice-president; E. S. Evans, secretary and treasurer, Richmond. People's Insurance and Realty Company (Inc.), Pulaski, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$10,000; minimum, \$2,000. W. L. McLaughlin, president; A. T. Betts, Jr., vice-president; H. W. Thacker, secretary and treasurer—all of Pulaski, Va.

W. R. Hancock Company (Inc.), Roanoke, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$5,000; minimum, \$1,000. W. R. Hancock, president; J. E. Johnston, vice-president; T. L. Dyer, secretary and treasurer—all of Roanoke, Va.

Sta. Klen Bakery (Inc.), Lynchburg, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$15,000; minimum, \$3,000. William M. Carter, president; Baltimore, Md.; William S. Harnden, vice-president; Washington, D. C.; H. N. Matthews, secretary, Norfolk, Va.

Merchants Insurance and Investment Corporation, Portsmouth, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$10,000; minimum, \$1,000. Emil Hauser, president; Portsmouth, Va.; J. C. Kaufman, vice-president; Portsmouth, Va.; J. G. Menget, secretary and treasurer, Norfolk, Va.

Amendment to charter St. Andrew's Association, Richmond, changing its powers. Amendment to charter Hoestinger-Size-More Co. (Inc.) Richmond, creating preferred stock of \$10,000.

Amendment to the Williamstown City Fire Insurance Company, a New York corporation, increasing its capital from \$10,000 to \$50,000.

Arrested for Stabbing.
Lillie Cole, colored, accused of stabbing Pauline Poirer, also colored, in the right wrist with a knife on Sunday night at Brook Avenue and Leigh Street, was arrested last night by Detective-Sergeants Wiley and Kalum. She was locked up at the Second Police Station.

CHIEF OF NAVY AVIATORS



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PLANS OF UNION ARE ADOPTED

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eagerness to step down and make way for a union which will be of such inestimable benefit to the profession here.

As has been the case at previous meetings, the question of dean of the new faculty was not mentioned yesterday. All connected with the movement agree that the selection of a head for the united colleges was of such consequence compared to the problem of merging that it has not entered into the proceedings at all. Dr. Stuart McGuire, who, it is thought, will head the new faculty, declared last night that the identity of the dean had not been discussed by either board, and that it had no place in such a momentous question as the union of the two schools.

Having now affected the union which has been the goal of progressives in both faculties and boards for years, the supporters of the consolidation movement will bend every energy to have the medical department of the University of Virginia become affiliated with the new Medical College of Virginia.

The feeling is that if the university refuses to take such action voluntarily, the next Legislature will force the affiliation.

Medical authorities in Richmond agree that the first two years of the course in the medical department of the University is perhaps the equal of any school in the country, but declare that the absence of clinical opportunities in the small town of Charlottesville gives the third and fourth-year students merely a theoretical knowledge of medicine. They point to Cornell University, the medical department of which is located in the city of New York, while the rest of the university is at Ithaca.

It is the general expectation that a final agreement will be reached, whereby medical students of the University of Virginia will take the first two years of their course in Charlottesville and the last two here in the new Medical College of Virginia.

Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president of the university, favors such an affiliation.

THREE TAKEN IN RAID

Alleged Murderer Caught in House on North Thirty-first Street.

On information that a number of negroes, for whom warrants were out on various charges, had concealed themselves in a house on North Thirty-first Street, Policemen Smith, Atkinson, Zimmer and Mitchell entered the place shortly before 1 o'clock this morning and succeeded in capturing three negroes, one of whom is charged with the murder of James Johnson on December 23 last.

Thomas Henry Light is teho negu against whom the charge of murder has been lodged. The others captured were Joseph Bates and Henry Lee. A warrant was issued for Bates as long ago as last September, when he was charged with assault and attempting to kill E. E. Gist. He is also wanted for stealing a watch from A. T. Lane, a conductor on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway.

Bates was taken into custody as a suspicious character, suspected of robbery. He later confessed to the offense, and it is thought that others will also be implicated in the affair.

Warrant for Lawrence Meeks.

Lawrence Meeks, an inmate of the City Home, for whom Nerrie Bibba, also a charge of the city, issued out a warrant on Sunday charging him with stealing \$50, was arrested yesterday by Patrolman Harris and lodged in the First Police Station.

Bowling.
The Albee and the Cook Printing Co. teams of the Newport League will play their regular game to-night at the Newport Albee. This is the first match game of the new year, and some classy scores are expected. These teams are now tied for first place in the standing column, and both sides will have a strong line-up in to-morrow's game.

Hotels.
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